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11	STEEP HILL LABORATORIES, INC., and JMICHAELE KELLER,	Case No. 3:18-cv-00373-LB
12		PLAINTIFFS' CASE MANAGEMENT
13	Plaintiffs,	STATEMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE OF CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE
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15	DAVID H. MOORE, an individual, and DOES 1 through 10, inclusive,	Date: August 22, 2019 Time: 11:00 a.m.
16	Defendants.	Trial Date: None set. Date Action Filed: December 20, 2017
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counterclaims pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(a)(3). No issues exist regarding personal jurisdiction or venue. All named parties have been served. On December 20, 2017, Keller and Steep Hill filed a complaint against Defendant/Counter-Claimant David H. Moore ("Moore") in Alameda County Superior Court for (1) defamation, (2) invasion of privacy, (3) intentional interference with economic relations, (4)

The parties agree that the Court has subject matter jurisdiction over all claims and

intentional interference with contractual relations, (5) civil stalking, (6) breach of contract and (7) intentional infliction of emotional distress. On January 4, 2018, Plaintiffs also obtained a

including defamatory statements about Plaintiffs, including taking down the website

temporary restraining order ("TRO") prohibiting Moore from (1) maintaining any website

type of defamatory communication about Plaintiffs, including flyers and e-mails; and (3) going

http://davidhmoore.weebly.com/meeting-matrix.html and all related content; (2) distributing any

within 100 feet of Plaintiff Keller or of Steep Hill Laboratories, Inc.'s business address.

motion, which was denied, with the denial upheld on appeal. Defendant then filed cross-claims

Defendant removed this case to the Northern District of California and filed an Anti-SLAPP

against Steep Hill and Keller, stemming almost exclusively from Keller and Defendant's prior

business relationship, which ended in 2002. Keller is no longer employed by Steep Hill or

serving in any managerial or operational capacity for the business. Keller regularly resides in the

Netherlands. Moore regularly resides in Nevada.

The parties negotiated the terms of a settlement in around August 30, 2018. Moore, however, refused to sign a long-form agreement memorializing the terms agreed upon via email correspondence. On April 4, 2019, the parties participated in a telephonic Settlement Conference before Hon. Laurel Beeler, at the close of which Moore agreed to accept the terms of the previously-negotiated settlement. The only differing term was a lower cash payment to Mr. Moore than had previously been negotiated. At the close of the Conference, Judge Beeler read the material terms of the agreement into the record, with the parties to formalize a written, longform, agreement thereafter. On April 4, 2019, counsel for Plaintiffs circulated a proposed long-

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form agreement to all parties (Moore, Steep Hill, and Keller), seeking signature on same. None of the parties have signed the agreement to date. Given the foregoing, Plaintiffs respectfully ask that this Court postpone the scheduled Case Management Conference for 45 days to afford the parties time to attempt to informally resolve this issue without requiring motion practice. Plaintiffs hope to avoid incurring the expense associated with continued Court involvement. Dated: August 7, 2019 VEDDER PRICE (CA), LLP By:/s/ Heather M. Sager Heather M. Sager Attorney for Plaintiffs STEEP HILL LABORATORIES, INC. and JMICHAELE KELLER

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